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LETTER

In response to the Office Action Date Mailed August 31, 2005, enclosed herewith are formal drawings (7 sheets) to replace the drawings filed for the above-identified application.

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NOTICE OF DRAWING INCONSISTENCY WITH SPECIFICATION

The drawings filed 06 - 16 - 2005 have been received. However, an inconsistency exists between the drawings and the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

Figures 2 - 7 are listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification but not contained in the Drawings.

Figures ____ are contained in the Drawings but not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

Applicant is required to correct the above-noted inconsistency within a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer**, from the mailing date of this Notice, or within the time remaining in the time period set forth in the Notice of Allowability (Form PTOL-37) to file corrected drawings, whichever is longer. **NO EXTENSION OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER EITHER 37 CFR 1.136 (a) OR (b)**

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